

701—105.3(423A) Tax base. The hotel and motel tax is imposed upon the sales price from the renting of any and all lodging in a facility covered by Iowa Code chapter 423A. The sales price from renting includes any direct or indirect charge for the rooms.

105.3(1) The tax shall not apply: (a) when lodging is furnished to a person if that person rents any rooms or other lodging for more than 31 consecutive days, (b) to the renting of sleeping rooms in dormitories and in memorial unions at all universities and colleges located in the state, (c) to contracts made directly with the federal government, or (d) to the renting of a room to the guest of a religious institution upon real property exempt from tax as the property of a religious institution, if the reason for renting the room is to provide a place for a religious retreat or function and not a place for transient guests generally.

105.3(2) The tax base shall include the entire cost directly or indirectly related to the renting of lodging. If a person is charged for items other than “rent” in connection with the renting of lodging (e.g., food, telephone, laundry or recreation facility use), such charges must be stated separately or the entire charge will be considered “rent.”

This rule is intended to implement 2005 Iowa Code Supplement section 423A.4.